

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H.R. 1647–1671; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 46, H. Con. Res. 117–121, and H. Res. 128, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform, amended (H. Rept. 107–51, Pt. 1);

H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform, amended (H. Rept. 107–51, Pt. 2);

H.R. 1088, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce fees collected by the Securities and Exchange Commission, amended (H. Rept. 107–52, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 127, providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform (H. Rept. 107–53).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Dr. Landis H. Lanford of the Methodist Home for Children and Youth of Macon, Georgia.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Receiving Former Members of Congress in the House Chamber: Agreed that it be in order on Wednesday, May 2 for the Speaker to declare a recess for the purpose of receiving former Members of Congress in the House Chamber.

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Committee Resignation—Small Business: Read a letter from Representative English wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business.

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Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his appointment of Representative Hall of Texas to the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation.

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British-American Interparliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Petri and Gallegly to the British-American Interparliamentary Group.

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Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his reappointment of Dr. Joseph Cooper of Baltimore, Maryland to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

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Joint Economic Committee: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members

to the Joint Economic Committee: Representatives Ryan of Wisconsin, Smith of Texas, Dunn, English, Putnam, Stark, Maloney of New York, and Watt of North Carolina.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Importance of Autism Awareness, Treatment, Research, Training, and Support: H. Con. Res. 91, recognizing the importance of increasing awareness of the autism spectrum disorder, and supporting programs for greater research and improved treatment of autism and improved training and support for individuals with autism and those who care for them (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 90);

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Access to Craters of the Moon National Monument, Idaho by Hunters: H.R. 601, amended, to ensure the continued access of hunters to those Federal lands included within the boundaries of the Craters of the Moon National Monument in the State of Idaho pursuant to Presidential Proclamation 7373 of November 9, 2000, and to continue the applicability of the Taylor Grazing Act to the disposition of grazing fees arising from the use of such lands. Agreed to amend the title;

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Eight Mile River, Connecticut, Wild and Scenic River Study: H.R. 182, amended, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Eight Mile River in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Agreed to amend the title;

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Guam Foreign Investment Equity Act: H.R. 309, to provide for the determination of withholding tax rates under the Guam income tax; Pages H1683–84

National Charter Schools Week: H. Con. Res. 95, amended, supporting a National Charter Schools Week (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 6 nays with 7 voting "present", Roll No. 91); and

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100th Anniversary of the 4-H Program: H. Res. 112, recognizing the upcoming 100th anniversary of the 4-H Youth Development Program and commending such program for service to the youth of the world.

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In Memory of Veronica "Roni" Bowers and Charity Bowers: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 117, expressing sympathy to the family, friends, and co-workers of Veronica "Roni" Bowers and Charity Bowers.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:13 p.m. and reconvened at 6 p.m. **Page H1693**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H1665.

Referral: S. 560 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page H1713**

Amendments: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on pages H1718–34.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1693 and H1694. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:58.

Committee Meetings

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on the Office of Higher Education and the Office of Student Financial. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Maureen McLaughlin, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy, Planning, and Innovation, Post Secondary Education; and Greg Woods, Chief Operating Officer, Office of Student Financial.

VA—HUD APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Federal Consumer Information Center, the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, and on the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. Testimony was heard from Teresa Nasif, Director, Federal Consumer Information Center, GSA; the following members of the Board of the U.S. Chemical Safety Hazard and Investigation Board: Andrea Kidd Taylor, M.D.; Gerald Poje, M.D.; and Irv Rosenthal, M.D.; and the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Henry Falk, M.D., Assistant Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry; and Kenneth Olden, M.D., Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

V-22 OSPREY PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing to receive recommendations on the V-22 Osprey program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. John R. Dailey, USMC (Ret.) Chairman; Norman R. Augustine, Gen. James

B. Davis, USAF (Ret.) and Eugene E. Covert, all members, Blue Ribbon Panel; Gen. James L. Jones, USMC, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps; and Gen. Charles R. Holland, USAF, Commander in Chief, U.S. Special Operations Command.

ELECTRICITY EMERGENCY ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing on H.R. 1647, Electricity Emergency Relief Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy: Curtis L. Hebert, Jr., Chairman; William L. Massey and Linda K. Breathitt, both Commissioners; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 3.

U.S. AIR INTERDICTION EFFORTS AFTER PERU INCIDENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing on U.S. Air Interdiction Efforts in South America After the Peru Incident. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hoekstra and Weldon of Pennsylvania; Bob Brown, Acting Deputy Director, Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Donnie R. Marshall, Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice; Chuck Windwood, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; John M. Crow, Director, Latin American and Caribbean Programs, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; Rear Adm. David Belz, USCG, Director, Joint Interagency Task Force East, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION REFORM ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on "Implementation of the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998: Why Haven't Federal Employees Been Held Accountable for Tens of Millions of Dollars in Travel Expenditures?" Testimony was heard from G. Martin Wagner, Associate Administrator, Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA; Jerry Hinton, Director, Finance, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Department of Defense; the following officials of the Corporation for National and Community Service: Alan Boehm, Assistant Inspector General, Investigations and William Anderson, Deputy Chief Financial Officer; Patricia English, Acting Chief Financial Officer, FEMA; Michael N. Griffin, Chief, Division of Planning and Internal Control, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.